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Allegro moderato

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It begins with a piano introduction in B-flat major, marked 'Allegro moderato'. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. The melody for the voice enters in the third measure. The lyrics are: 'I was sad and wear - y / Time can bring a lot of / Till Ready / heart - ed, and I thought I'd take a rest, ——— So I / chang - es, that's a thing that's plain - ly seen, ——— All you'. The piano accompaniment continues throughout the vocal lines, with some changes in texture and dynamics (marked 'p' for piano) to support the melody. The score ends with a final piano cadence.

hopped a train and start - ed to a place I love the
see down home is strang - ers, hang - ing 'round the vil - lage

best, ——— Back to my home - town once a - gain, ——— Where I could
green; ——— Why, e - ven Pa's for - got - ten how ——— to milk the

ease my tir - ed brain, ——— In - stead of peace and qui - et
good old Brin - dle cow, ——— And all the boys play pok - er,

'twas a ri - ot, I went most in - sane. ———
use the jok - er, It's all diff - 'rent now. ———

CHORUS

You'd nev-er know that old home-town of mine, _____ At
 You'd nev-er know that old home-town of mine, _____ Both

p-f

night a - long the main street white lights shine, _____ The
 Dea-con Jones and Par-son Brown drink wine, _____ Why,

old Y. M. C. A. _____ is now a cab - a - ret, _____ And the girls all
 all the sur-face cars _____ have lit-tle ser-vice bars, _____ And the old town

look so sweet, so neat, and cute, and pret-ty too. A - round the town a
 clown called Gus, the cuss, has got a jit - ney bus. The farm-ers do their

horse is nev - er seen, For ev - 'ry boob has
chores in ev - 'ning clothes, Not one keeps tabs on

bought a Ford ma - chine With gas - o - line, And men who've stayed home
where his neigh - bor goes, No - bod - y knows, The won - ders there will

all their lives, Are dan - cing ev - 'ry night with oth - er fel - low's wives, You'd
nev - er stop, The police de - part - ment thinks that he's a regu - lar cop, You'd

nev - er know that old home - town of mine. You'd
nev - er know that old home - town of mine. You'd

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tho' it's spring the birds won't sing, The sun-mer, too, is like win-ter to

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